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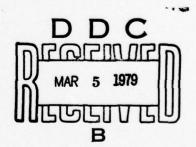
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ABSTRACT

A computer program to compute estimated orbital element sets based on positional observations from a single observing site has been developed and tested. It provides a reasonable mix of operator interaction and automation, making it adaptable to the level of proficiency of the user. Included here are a program overview, concept of operations, specific operating instruction, examples of program operation and examples of program output.



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I. OVERVIEW

The initial orbit estimation module (IOMOD) is an interactive task which allows the user to generate classical orbital element sets from satellite positional measurements. The input data consists of angles in either the right ascension/declination or azimuth/elevation reference frame, and optional range. These data may be read from the system observation file or from the card reader or terminal keyboard.

The program contains an algorithm for range estimation from angles-only data and two orbit estimation algorithms. Range estimation is via the classic Gauss-Gibbs technique. The primary orbit estimation method is a modified true anomaly iteration technique. This method historically produces usable orbit estimates for the classes of satellites of interest to the ETS. Being iterative, it can occasionally fail to converge. For these times, and for an independent consistency check, the three observation Herrick-Gibbs technique is supplied.

Default values for the sensor coordinates and default processing methods are available. The inexperienced user can rely on the program to produce results. The more experienced user will find sufficient flexibility to put his expertise to use. Among the features available are: buffering of up to twenty observation sets; editing of the observations (ADD/DELete/REPlace/change); observation selection for use in orbit estima-

tion method; satellite tagging and orbital element set fileup capability.

II. OPERATION

IOMOD is available to both the batch user and the real-time operator. The batch version is cataloged as IOD (Initial Orbit Determination), while the real-time version is cataloged as RIOD. IOD is activated from the computer operator's console:

/IOD/ACT,,TM

RIOD is activated from the real-time console:

/RIOD

Both versions are identical except that RIOD is aware of its real-time roll. More details are provided in the Programmer's Notes.

Once activated, the program erases the CRT screen, writes its name, version ID, the current GMT day/date/time and the default sensor coordinates (Stallion Range Center, A dome), a prompting question mark and awaits user input. Typical program operation involves reading observational data (OBS command) and selecting observations from among those read for orbit estimation (SELect command). An automatic selection algorithm is available, or specific observations may be selected by line number. Each SELection produces a numbered CASE listing. Summary output on the CRT lists the case number, observational data selected, iterative convergence parameters and the orbital element set produced (Figures 1-3 are typical terminal output). This and some additional information is sent to a printer file. One can execute

```
INITIAL ORBIT ESTIMATION
                             4.0
                                       DAY 317,
                                                   13 Nov 78
                                                                12: 4
SITE, LAT. M., LONG. E., HEIGHT METERS
         33.8177
                     253.3406
                               1502.4190
STAL
COMMANDS
   SAT SIT OBS ADD DEL REP R.A DEC RAN LIS SEL XEQ YEA MEE FIL XEQ
YEAR 77
 1977
OBS 83564 242 19
   242,
           19,
                   34
   242,
           19,
                   35
           19,
   242,
                   36
           19,
   242,
                   37
           19,
   242,
                   38
           19,
   242,
                   47
           19,
                   57
   242,
   242,
           20,
                   3
   242,
           20,
                   17
   242,
           20,
                   34
  242, 20,

# DAY HR MIN SEC

1 242 19 34 43.0
USE
                                                           RANGE (KM OR ER)
                              RA (DEG)
                                           DEC (DEG)
                 34 43.020
  0
                             165.84583
                                           -0.77400000
                                                            0.00000000
      2 242
                 35 43.020
                                                            0.00000000
                                           -0.77666667
  0
             19
                             166.09583
                                                            0.00000000
                                           -0.77833333
  0
      3 242
             19
                 36 37.021
                             166.32500
      4 242
             19
                 37 37.021
                             166.57500
                                           -0.78100000
                                                            0.00000000
  0
                             166.81167
             19
                 38 37.022
      5 242
                                           -0.78333333
                                                            0.00000000
  0
                                                            0.00000000
                                           -0.80833333
  0
      6 242
             19
                  47 13.026
                             168.98083
             19
                             171.47250
                                           -0.84666667
                                                            0.00000000
  0
        242
                 57
                      7.031
                  3 7.035
                             172.99833
                                           -0.87500000
                                                            0.00000000
     8 242
             20
  0
                 17 41.043
                                                            0.00000000
                                           -0.95433333
  0
      9 242
             20
                             176.66667
                 34 51.007
                             180.98750
                                            -1.0716667
                                                            0.00000000
  0
     10 242
             20
                 42 36.012
     11 242
             20
                             182.93750
                                            -1.1326667
                                                            0.00000000
  0
 ?
SELECT
                            CASE 1
                                                            STAL
 83564.
      # DAY HR MIN SEC
1 242 19 34 43.019
                                          DEC (DEG)
                              RA (DEG)
                                                           RANGE (KM OR ER)
USE
                                                            0.00000000
                                           -0.77400000
                             165.84583
  1
                                           -0.87500000
                                                            0.00000000
      8 242 20
                  3 7.034 172.99833
                                                            0.00000000
    10 242
             20 34 51.006 180.98750
                                            -1.0716667
***ESTIMATED MEAN MOTION FOR A CIRCULAR SATELLITE***
                     1.00187268 REV/DAY
         83564.0
MEAN SQUARE RANGE ERROR 0.273459E-12
IONU FAILED
1 83564U IOHG3
                   77242.83549808 0.00000000
         4.1478 69.5840 9951021 104.7635 358.6330 0.994176614
2 83564
```

Fig.1. IOD - console session, part 1.

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```
SEL
                                                                                     STAL
                                         CASE
 83564.
                                                                                   RANGE (KM OR ER)
          # DAY HR MIN SEC RA(DEG) DEC(DEG)
 USE
          2 242 19 35 43.019 166.09583 -0.77666667
                                                                                     0.00000000
    1
    1 9 242 20 17 41.042 176.66667 -0.95433333
1 11 242 20 42 36.011 182.93750 -1.1326667
                                                                                      0.00000000
                                                                                      0.00000000
***ESTIMATED MEAN MOTION FOR A CIRCULAR SATELLITE***
             83564.0
                             1.00187268 REV/DAY
MEAN SQUARE RANGE ERROR 0.471657E-12
CONVERGENCE AT -0.745058E-09
1 83564U IONU 77242.86291780 0.00000000
2 83564 4.1542 69.5559 0029964 84.8179 28.3421 0.99930581
SEL
                                         CASE 3
                                                                                      STAL
 83564

    SE
    # DAY
    HR MIN
    SEC
    RA(DEG)
    DEC(DEG)

    1
    3 242
    19
    36 37.021
    166.32500
    -0.77833333

    1
    7 242
    19
    57
    7.031
    171.47250
    -0.84666667

    2
    10 242
    20
    34 51.006
    180.98750
    -1.0716667

                                                                                   RANGE (KM OR ER)
 USE
                                                                                 0.00000000
                                                                                     0.00000000
                                                                                    0.00000000
***ESTIMATED MEAN MOTION FOR A CIRCULAR SATELLITE***
             83564.0 1.00187268 REV/DAY
MEAN SOUARE RANGE ERROR 0.442698E-12
CONVERGENCE AT 0.909495E-12
1 83564U IONU 77242.85753480 0.000000000
2 83564 4.1480 70.6847 0167755 214.2071 257.9158 1.01615356
SEL 1,7,9
                                         CASE 4
 83564.
                                                                                      STAL
         # DAY HR MIN SEC RA(DEG) DEC(DEG)
1 242 19 34 43.019 165.84583 -0.77400000
7 242 19 57 7.031 171.47250 -0.84666667
9 242 20 17 41.042 176.66667 -0.95433333
                                                                                    RANGE (KM OR ER)
 USE
    2
                                                                                     0.00000000
                                                                                      0.00000000
                                                                                     0.00000000
***ESTIMATED MEAN MOTION FOR A CIRCULAR SATELLITE***
             83564.0 1.00187268 REV/DAY
MEAN SQUARE RANGE ERROR 0.301849E-12
CONVERGENCE AT -0.102318E-10
1 83564U IONU 77242.84561391 0.00000000
2 83564 4.1560 71.4156 0294026 219.2969 249.0194 1.03264931
XEQ HG
1 83564U IOHG3 77242.33133137 0.000000000 2 83564 4.1560 71.4156 0294043 219.3011 243.7058 1.03265353
```

Fig.2. IOD - console session, part 2.

```
LIST
              HR MIN SEC
                                             C (DEG)
                                                             RANGE (KM OR ER)
 USE
       # DAY
                                RA (DEG)
                                                              0.00000000
   2
       1 242
              19
                   34 43.020
                                165.84583
                                             -0.77400000
                                166.09583
                                             -0.77666667
                                                              0.00000000
   1
       2 242
               19
                   35 43.020
                                             -0.77833333
                                                              0.00000000
       3 242
                   36 37.021
                                166.32500
               19
       4 242
               19
                   37 37.021
                                166.57500
                                             -0.78100000
                                                              0.00000000
                                             -0.78333333
                                                              0.00000000
   0
       5 242
               19
                   38 37.022
                                166.81167
                                                              0.00000000
       6 242
                   47 13.026
                                168.98083
                                             -0.80833333
   0
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       7 242
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                       7.031
                                171.47250
                                             -0.84666667
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                                             -0.87500000
                                                              0.00000000
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       8 242
               20
                       7.035
                                172.99833
                    3
                   17 41.043
       9 242
                                176.66667
                                             -0.95433333
                                                              0.00000000
   2
               20
      10 242
               20
                   34 51.007
                                180.98750
                                              -1.0716667
                                                              0.00000000
      11 242
                   42 36.012
                                182.93750
                                              -1.1326667
                                                              0.00000000
               20
REPLACE 4
=> OBS: SAT#, DAY, HR, MIN, SEC, RA, DEC, RANGE
83564 242 19 37 37.0 166.576 -.78 0
       # DAY HR MIN SEC
                                RA (DEG)
                                             DEC (DEG)
                                                             RANGE (KM OR ER)
 USE
               19
                   34 43.020
                                165.84583
                                             -0.77400000
                                                              0.00000000
       1 242
                   35 43.020
                                166.09583
                                                              0.00000000
       2 242
              19
                                             -0.77666667
   1
                                             -0.77833333
                                                              0.00000000
       3 242
              19
                   36 37.021
                                166.32500
       4 242
               19
                   37 36.999
                                166.57600
                                             -0.78000000
                                                              0.00000000
   0
                   38 37.022
                                166.81167
                                             -0.78333333
              19
                                                              0.00000000
   0
       5 242
                                                              0.00000000
       6 242
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                   47 13.026
                                168.98083
                                             -0.80833333
                       7.031
       7 242
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                                171.47250
                                             -0.84666667
                                                              0.00000000
                   57
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       8 242
               20
                       7.035
                                172.99833
                                             -0.87500000
                                                              0.00000000
                    3
                   17 41.043
                                                              0.00000000
       9 242
               20
                                176.66667
                                             -0.95433333
      10 242
                   34 51.007
                                180.98750
                                              -1.0716667
                                                              0.00000000
               20
   1
                   42 36.012
                                182.93570
                                                              0.00000000
      11 242
               20
                                              -1.1326667
FILE
SECURITY CLASSIFICATION ?
EXIT
```

Fig. 3. IOD - console session, part 3.

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either of the orbit estimation methods via the XEQ command.

This is of use in order to check the results of one technique
by direct comparison to the other using the same input data.

Any element set estimate can be filed on the Master Element
File (MEF) via the FILe command.

III. COMMAND STRUCTURE

The program is command structured with free format input. This means that you tell the program the name of the function you wish it to perform and enough data to perform that function. Typing may begin anywhere on the line. Numeric data need not be in specific fields. All commands may be abbreviated by their first three characters. Characters after the third are ignored. Sixteen commands are available. If an unrecognized command is input the program responds by listing the set of available command abbreviations on the CRT. Table 1 gives a graphic presentation of the available commands and their relationship to each other.

The form of a typical command line is:

COM argl, arg2,..., argn

As noted above, the command field, "COM" in the example, must be at least three characters long. The number of argument fields depends upon the particular command being issued. The command and the arguments may be separated by commas, equal signs, slashes or one or more spaces. A space cannot be used in combination with one of the other seperators because the operating system interprets this as a null (zero) argument.

A typical set of input commands might look like this:

OBS 83598 242 03

SELECT

FIL 95001

TABLE 1

COMMAND OVERVIEW

DESCRIPTION	specify site location (default: STAL)	set year for compution (default: clock year)	set satellite number (default: # read from OBS)	read obs from system file, CR, or terminal	read more obs from CR or terminal	remove one or more obs from buffer	replace one observation	replace one right ascension or azimuth	replace one declination or elevation	replace one range	list the observations on the CRT	select 2-3 obs and estimate an orbit	estimation orbit (either method) from selected data	file orbital elements on MEF
EXECUTION											LISt<11 <12>>	SELect<1,j <k>></k>	XEQ <method></method>	FILe <#>
EDITING					ADD <unit></unit>	DELete <11<12>>	REPlace 11	R.A. li <value></value>	DEClination li <value></value>	RANge li <value></value>				
INITIALIZATION	SITe <name<lat<long<alt>>>></name<lat<long<alt>	YEAr <number></number>	SATellite <number></number>	OBServations sat #, time unit, type										

This retrieves up to 12 hours of system observation file data (or 20 observations, whichever comes first) beginning at day 242 0300 GMT, selects a consistent and time optomized set of observations from the buffer and executes the nominal estimation method, then files the set on the MEF as 95001. This is a very basic operation session. Many more features are available, as described below.

IV. COMMANDS

Required inputs are noted in upper case. Optional input and argument paraforms are in lower case. Optional arguments are enclosed in left and right carets.

IV.1 Satellite Number

SATellite < number >

If no argument is input, the current satellite number is listed.

Number should be between 1 and 99999. Note that the <u>number</u> is set to that of the observations read each time the OBS command is issued.

IV.2 Filing Elements on the MEF

FILe <sat#>

If no argument is input, the element set is filed under the current number. Otherwise, it is filed under the input number. Existing MEF records are not automatically overwritten. The user is advised that the condition exists and given the option of overwriting.

IV.3 Sensor Coordinate Specification

SITe <name<lat long alt>>

If no arguments are input, the current sensor coordinates are listed. The user may select any of the ten internally stored sensor locations by name (see below). If an unknown site name (and no coordinates) is input, the user is given the opportunity

to input the corresponding site location in double precision.

Or, he may input the location on the command line in single precision.

The input arguments are:

name - 4 character ASCii

lat - degrees north geodetic latitude

long - degrees east longitude

<u>alt</u> - meters height above the mean geoid
The available site list is:

MIL - Millstone Hill L-band radar, Westford, MA

HAY - Haystack Observatory X-band radar, Westford, MA

ARE - National Astronomical Observatory UHF Radar, Arecibo, PR

EGL - FPS-85 phased array radar, Eglin AFB, FL

STAL - Lincoln ETS optical site, Stallion Range Center, WSMR, NM

SHEM - Shemya AFS radar, Shemya, Alaska

AMOS - Optical site, Maui, HI

EDW - Baker-Nunn camera, Edwards AFB, CA

NAV - NAVSPASUR USN space surveillence fence, Dahlgren, VA

RML - Range Measurements Laboratory optical site near Patrick
AFB, FL

If a <u>name</u> of LIST is input the list of site abbreviations is written on the CRT.

IV.4 Reading Observational Data

The command OBS is used to read observational data into the

program in one of two formats. The choice of format is determined by the input arguments.

Form 1 reads data from user-prepared data (from the card reader or terminal keyboard).

OBS unit <datatype>

unit=ADDS, read from the ADDS CRT keyboard
unit=CR, read from the card reader
datatype=RA, read right ascension/declination data
datatype=any other value, read azimuth/elevation data.

The order of the input is satellite number, day, hour, minute, second (GMT), RA (or AZ) DEC (or EL), range. Angles are expected in degrees. Range may be a KM or earth radii, as you choose. Data is read in free format and double precision, prompted at the terminal. Range should be supplied as zero for angles-only data. The observation stream is terminated by a \$\$ or by a change in satellite number. Note that this means one observation is lost if observations on different satellites are juxtaposed without an intervening \$\$.

Form 2 reads recorded positional data from the system observation file.

OBS sat#<day<hr<min<sec>>>>

sat# is the desired satellite number
day hr min sec is the GMT time (as accurately as you need to

enter it) of the first observation. Up to 20 observation sets or 12 hours of data (whichever occurs first) will be retrieved. The time of each observation found subsequent to the input start time will be listed on the CRT screen. For either form, the observation buffer is time sorted and listed on the CRT after the last observation is read.

IV.5 Adding Observations

ADD unit

unit is described above.

This command re-enters Form 1 of the OBS command, above.

The data type is taken to be the same as that of the observations already in the buffer.

IV.6 Deleting Observations

DELete linel <line2>

linel is the first observation line to be deleted

line2 is the optional last line to be deleted

The buffer is compressed and listed after a delete request.

IV.7 Replacing an Observation

REPlace line

line is the line number to be replaced

A separate read in Form 1 is queued to the terminal to actually replace the data. The buffer is time sorted and listed after each REPlace request. The use code associated with each observation, indicating the number of times each observation is

the object of selection, is set to zero for the line replaced.

IV.8 Editing Angles and Range

R.A. line<angle>

DEC line<angle>

RANge line<distance>

line is the line number of the observation to be edited.

If no other argument is input, a seperate double precision read
is queued.

angle is expected in degrees.

distance is expected in either KM or earth radii.

The use code for edited lines is set to zero. The buffer is listed after each edit request.

IV.9 Listing the Observations

LISt <linel<line2>>

If no arguments are input, all observations are listed.

linel is the optional starting line number

line2 is the optional ending line number

The listing is written on the terminal only.

IV.10 Observation Selection and Orbit Estimation

SELect <i,j<k>>

If no arguments are input an automatic selection method is used. i,j,k are the optional line numbers of the observations to be chosen. Three observations are necessary for range estimation and for the Herrick-Gibbs orbit estimation method. Two

angles plus range sets are needed for the true anomaly method.

The use code is incremented each time an observation is selected.

Orbit estimation is performed after the SELect command is issued.

IV.11 Orbit Estimation From Selected Observations
XEQ <method>

This command is issued to generate elements via the alternate estimation method, or re-generate the elements from the primary method without reselecting.

<u>method</u>=HG to execute the Herrick-Gibbs method, otherwise execute the true anomaly method.

The case number is not incremented, nor are the use codes.

IV.12 Minimum Estimated Error

MEError

This command lists the case number having the smallest true anomaly iteration convergence parameter (and places that element set in a position from which it can be filed on the MEF). Though this does not guarantee the quality of the orbital element set for that case, it is an indicator that these orbital elements (and those with similar convergence parameter values) are reasonable. The CASE numbering and Minimum Error Estimation are begun anew each time the OBS command is issued. The MEE command lists its results on both the CRT and printer file.

IV.13 Specifying Epoch Year

YEAr < number >

If no argument is input, the current year is listed.

<u>number</u> is the two digit or four digit year between 1970 and
2000.

IV.14 Program Termination

EXIt

An end of file is issued to the printer file.

V. USER'S NOTES

V.1 Structure

Certain commands are linked together, so that one is always issued by the program after the user has issued another. In particular, the SITe command is issued by the program when it begins execution in order to set the default site coordinates (STAL). LISt is issued by the program after any observation editing (OBS/ADD/DEL/REP/R.A./DEC/RAN). XEQ is issued by the program after the SELect command is issued by the user.

Both SEL and XEQ check to see that sufficient data is available to execute the desired estimation routine. If not, a message is written on the terminal and the next command is prompted.

V.2 Limitations

Because the program has little information about the nature of satellite(s) whose orbit(s) is(are) to be estimated it can do little to insure the integrity of the observations. In particular, the user is cautioned against loading data which spans more than one satellite orbit (or pass, whichever is less); from more than one sensor; or on more than one satellite in the same observation read request. The result of violating these admonitions could be disastrous.

V.3 Automatic Selection Algorithm

The automatic selection algorithm uses the estimated circular mean motion for RA/DEC data, or 1 rev/day for AZ/EL data.

It tries to locate data spanning 1 hour divided by the mean motion estimate. The third observation is not allowed to be closer than half this span to the first; the second must be at least .1 of this span from the first. At the same time, observations with a low use code are preferred. This prevents the same sets of data from being selected each time. For ten observations, evenly spaced over one hour for a synchronous satellite, 15-20 different observation selections can be made before the process begins to repeat selections. By that point it should be obvious that either a good orbit has been generated or more data is necessary.

V.4 Selecting a High Quality Orbital Element Set

No estimation technique will produce high quality values for the mean motion. It is a well known fact of sampling theory that if one wishes to estimate the period (mean motion) of a periodic function (orbit) he must observe it over several repetitions (revolutions). So, with only 5-10% of an orbit we can make only a rough estimate of its mean motion. Better estimation could be done through a differential correction process. For orbits of eccentricity .1 or less, the estimated circular mean motion (which is really the apparent angular velocity over the observation span) is probably a better value for mean motion than that computed by the orbit estimator. This value can be substituted for the computed value using the satellite batch

TABLE 2

QUANTITIES TO BE INSPECTED WHEN DETERMINING ELEMENT QUALITY

CHECK	small	consistent	consistent	consistent	reject gross values
LOW	`	>	`	`	`
LOW	>	>	`		`
LOW	`	,	`	`	`
HIGH	`	`	`		`
ITEM	convergence parameters	inclination	right ascension of ascending node	argument of perigee	mean motion

program SAT (or RSAT for the real-time operator).

Judging the quality of orbit estimates is not easy. The MEE command provides some measure of quality assurance. The best indicator of quality, however, is consistency. Check the convergence parameters to see that they are not large. Check the inclination, right ascension of the ascending node and eccentricity for consistency. The other two angles (mean anomaly and argument of perigee) can change dramatically for low inclination, low eccentricity satellites. For higher inclination (above 10°), higher eccentricity (above .2) satellites, the argument of perigee can also be checked for consistency.

Grossly different values of mean motion tend to indicate poor elements. Table 2 summarizes these checks. In general, the longer the observation span the better the mean motion estimate and the poorer the plane (inclination, R.A. of node and argument of perigee). The latter is because after some time, perturbations to the orbit, which are ignored in the estimate, become significant.

VI. PROGRAMMER'S NOTES

IOMOD is an overlay structured module generated by M4EDIT.

It contains nine level 1 segments and the main program. The

level 1 segments are subroutines:

ALTRES alternate resource assignments

IOOBS observation input and editing

OBSEL observation selection

SITPAR site location selection

RANGE range estimation

IONU true anomaly orbit estimation

IOHG3 Herrick-Gibbs 3 observation orbit estimation

PFUEL element set conversion to classical and printing

IOFILE element set fileup on the MEF

The module is cataloged on disk partition TM as IOD. RIOD is a simple duplicate to IOD. Subroutine ALTRES is called when program execution begins. It is told, "If I was activated as RIOD, assign my terminal resources to the ADDS symbiont." This is a slight over simplification, but conveys the intent of the call. In testing it was found that the simple duplicate did not follow the module if it were recataloged. Hence, if recataloging is necessary the programmer is advised to reduplicate as well.

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APPENDIX

SAMPLE RESULTS

Sample estimates were produced for four satellites in three orbit classes. For each satellite the estimates were made with and without range for the same set of angle data.

The data used were generated by propagating the "actual" orbital elements and producing the look points for the ETS over a four hour time interval. The look points were printed to a precision of .01 degree in angle and .1 kilometer in range. This is then the accuracy of the input data.

The satellites used are 8195 and 8187, both high inclination, high eccentricity, half day period satellites; 83561, a low inclination, low eccentricity, one-day period satellite; and 8820, a high inclination, low eccentricity, 225 minute period satellite. Data on 8195 is as it approached perigee. Data on 8187 is as it approached apogee.

For most sample results it is easy to see that having range data makes a substantial improvement in the estimated orbit. The curiously "good" results for 8820 and the "inconsistent" results for 8195 angles-only cases can be shown to be within the error bounds dictated by the accuracy of the input data. Range estimates are off by 2%-3% for these cases.

The cases labled "A" were generated by the true anomaly iteration method; those labled "B" were generated by the Herrick-Gibbs method.

OBJECT # 8195 ANGLES-ONLY DATA

0b span		30 min	30 min	30 min	45 min
, w		30	30	30	45
Mean Motion	2.00608912	1.38079437	1.92888864	2.07732294	2.28622926 2.27318263
ARG of Perigee	279.7565	271.0388 271.0012	278.8835	280.5346 280.1794	282.9525 282.4813
O	.6968511	.7277307	.7005126	.6924106	.6832100
RA of NODE	147.6770	147.5040 147.5040	147.6605	147,6904	147.7310
·н	63,3056	63.5620 63.5620	63.3215 63.3215	63.2781 63.2781	63,2215 63,2215
		A B	BA	M M	M M
	MI	- -	7	m 63	4
	ACTUAL	CASE 1	CASE 2 A	CASE 3 A	CASE 4 A

MINIMUM ESTIMATED ERROR: CASE 1

OBJECT # 8195 ANGLES PLUS RANGE DATA

Ob span	15 min	15 min	15 min	15 min	60 min	45 min	45 min
o ds	15	15	15	15	09	45	45
Mean Motion 2.00608912	2.00767664	2.00657552	2.00587277	2.00170823	2.00571951 1.95307085	2.00507706 1.95198675	2.00507706 1.96768238
ARG of Perigee 279.7565	279.8124	279.7756	279.7564	279.7133	279.7629	279.7500	279.7500 278.8657
e .6968511	.6964699	.6963670	.6963375	.6966553	.6963771	.6963997	.6958278
RA of NODE 147.6770	147.6680	147.6760	147.6769	147.6759	147.6743	147.6737	147.6737
i 63.3056	63.3152	63.2996	63.2968	63.3116	63.3061	63.3042	63.3042
	A	A	A	A	BB	BB	A B
IAL	-	7	3	4	r.	9	7
ACTUAL	CASE 1	CASE 2	CASE 3	CASE 4 A	CASE 5	CASE 6	CASE 7

MINIMUM ESTIMATED ERROR: CASE 2 (CASE 5 CLOSE SECOND)

SATELLITE # 8187 ANGLES-ONLY DATA

Ob span	111	1H 1H	11	1.25н	1.5H 1.5H
Mean Motion 2.00644740	1.99216822	2.00858714	1.81129019	1.83063161	1.98781521
ARG of Perigee 281.1621	281.3872	281.1155 281.1203	284.0715	283.8279	281.4421 281.4695
e.7288512	.7295018 ttempted	.7287307	.7111563 ttempted	.7147818 ttempted	.7276978
RA of NODE 313.6876	64.7994 313.7159 .72950 Herrick-Gibbs not attempted	313.6689	64.9201 313.7736 .7111563 Herrick-Gibbs not attempted	64.9040 313.7832 .7147818 Herrick-Gibbs not attempted	313.6881
i 64.7895	64.7994 Herrick-	64.7837 64.7837	64.9201 Herrick-	64.9040 Herrick-	64.7959 64.7959
	AB	AB	A B	AB	AB
JAL	H	63	e e	4	EJ CO
ACTUAL	CASE 1	CASE 2 A	CASE 3 A	CASE 4	CASE 5 A

MINIMUM ESTIMATED ERROR: CASE 2

SATELLITE # 8187 ANGLES PLUS RANGE DATA

0b span		114	1H	1.5н	1.25н
Mean Motion	2.00644740	2.00650105	2.00744099	2.00674137	2.00732285
ARG of Perigee	281.1621	281.1557 281.1673	281.1332 281.1375	281.1529 281.2045	281.1421 281.1466
ø	.7288512	.7283406	.7287006	.7284597	.7286425
RA of NODE	313.6876	313.6902 313.6895	313.6702 313.6703	313.6696	313.6661
it	64.7895	64.7916 64.7920	CASE 2 A 64.7844 B 64.7844	CASE 3 A 64.7834 B 64.7894	CASE 5 A 64.7830 B 64.7836
		ВВ	BB	AB	AB
	AL	H	7	n	Ŋ
	ACTUAL	CASE 1	CASE	CASE	CASE

MINIMUM ESTIMATED ERROR: CASE 2

SATELLITE # 83561 ANGLES ONLY DATA

		i 1.4567	RA of NODE 93.4032	e .0021627	ARG of Perigee 226.7898	Mean Motion 1.00224802	0b span
A 1. B 1.	i,	1.5256 1.5256	91.6567	.0118884	285.3322 271.5396	.96828990	ТН
A 1		1.2737	95.2076 95.2076	.0153559	167.4566	1.07962441	114
A B	11	True anoma 1.7450	True anomaly did not converge 1.7450 93.7692 .176525	converge .1765257	276.1645	.69283872	ТН
B T	H -	True anoma 1.4759	True anomaly did not 1.4759 92.4877	converge .0105081	282.6503	.98438781	1.5н
B 1	77	1.4358	93.1125	.0041262	165.1085 165.1970	1.01535215	1.75н
A 8	7	1.4322	92.7881 92.7884	.0018598	165.2230 173.2654	1.01315399	1.75н

MINIMUM ESTIMATED ERROR: CASE 6

SATELLITE # 83561 ANGLES PLUS RANGE DATA

ACTUAL i NODE e Perigee Motion ACTUAL 1.4567 93.4032 .0021627 226.7898 1.00224802 CASE 1 A 1.4569 92.8992 .0021670 225.9834 1.00232617 B 1.4569 92.8993 .0018339 219.8633 1.00232617 CASE 2 A 1.4603 94.0032 .0038806 245.8415 .99932159 CASE 3 A 1.4570 93.3060 .0026436 235.3698 1.00134545 CASE 4 A 1.4603 94.0032 .0038806 245.8415 .99932159 CASE 5 A 1.4594 93.3750 .0038806 245.8415 .99932159 CASE 6 A 1.4542 93.3750 .0031270 246.3134 1.00033310 CASE 6 A 1.4548 92.9478 .0025702 234.3388 1.00155013 CASE 6 A 1.4546 92.9478 .0025702 234.3388 1.00155013
i NODE i NODE a 1.4567 93.4032 .0021627 b 1.4569 92.8992 .0021670 b 1.4569 92.8993 .0018339 b 1.4570 94.0032 .0038806 b 1.4570 93.3060 .0020738 b 1.4529 93.3120 .0038806 b 1.4542 93.3750 .0034824 b 1.4542 93.3750 .0031270 b 1.4548 92.9478 .0025702 b 1.4548 92.9478 .0025702 b 1.4556 92.8402 .0018438
i NODE 1.4567 93.4032 A 1.4569 92.8992 B 1.4569 92.8903 B 1.4570 94.0032 B 1.4570 93.3060 B 1.4529 93.3120 A 1.4542 93.3750 B 1.4542 93.3750 B 1.4548 92.9478 B 1.4548 92.9478 B 1.4548 92.9478 B 1.4548 92.9478 B 1.4556
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ACTUAL CASE 1 CASE 2 CASE 4 CASE 5
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ALL ERROR ESTIMATES ARE IDENTICAL

SATELLITE # 8820 ANGLES ONLY DATA

			·н	RA of NODE	σ	ARG of Perigee	Mean Motion	Ob span
ACTUAL	AL		109.8681	345.7742	.0044532	64.1910	6.38664391	
CASE	-	BA	true anom 109.8642	true anomaly did not 109.8642 345.7869	converge .0037016	72.2645	6.39313090	45 min
CASE	7	ВВ	true anom 109.8702	true anomaly did not 109.8702 345.7823	converge.	88.7393	6.40877678	35 min
CASE	e	ВВ	true anom 109.8707	true anomaly did not 109.8707 345.7866 .	converge.	65.4802	6.38476821	35 min
CASE	4	ВВ	true anom 109.8625	true anomaly did not 109.8625 345.7825 .	converge.	60.0168	6.37309629	35 min
CASE	2	ВВ	true anom 109.8619	true anomaly did not 109.8619 345.7842	converge.	60.2844	6.36979574	35 min
CASE	9	ВВ	109.8592	345.7846 345.7846	.0046842	71.5747 52.2397	6.38317481 6.35094384	20 min
CASE	7	ВВ	109.8635 109.8635	345.7865 345.7865	.0035669	79.8284 52.8333	6.39349268 6.34748441	20 min
CASE	œ	ВВ	true anom 109.8667	true anomaly failed 109.8667 345.7939	.0093377	53.9143	6.33320170	20 min
CASE	6	BB	109.8631 109.8631	345.7840 345.7840	.0031430	78.1898	6.39633871	25 min

SATELLITE # 8820 ANGLES ONLY DATA - Continued

qo	span	30 min	
Mean	Motion	6.39446245	6.36839238
ARG of	Perigee	80.4000	59.2165
	O	.0035842	.0061332
RA of	NODE	345.7836	345.7836
	ŗ	109.8645	109.8645
		A	В
		10	
		CASE	

ALL CASES WHERE TRUE ANOMALY CONVERGED HAD EQUAL ESTIMATED ERRORS

SATELLITE # 8820 ANGLES AND RANGE DATA

ob span		20 min	20 min	20 min	20 min	30 min	25 min	25 min	20 min	20 min
Mean Motion	6.38664391	6.39509329	6.39843442	6.40755043 6.38856873	6.41554283	6.39856010 6.39711357	6.39755308	6.41651199	6.39258854	6.39007102
ARG of Perigee	64,1910	77.1653 68.1826	79.6478	87.8695	96.0307	80.2554	78.0208 72.3893	94.3356	69.2556	68.6022
υ	.0044532	.0043069	.0039455	.0030647	.0022044	.0038799	.0039332	.0018847 ried	converge.0042937	converge.
RA of NODE	345.7742	345.7761 345.7775	345.7785 345.7797	345.7828 345.7842	345.7835 345.7838	345.7772 345.7793	345.7788 345.7837	109.8690 345.7810 .00 Herrick-Gibbs not tried	anomaly did not 3713 345.7831 .	true anomaly did not 109.8743 345.7877
·г	109,8681	109.8614 109.8608	109.8680	109.8711	109.8725	109.8679	109.8688	109.8690 Herrick-G	true anomi 109.8713	true anomaly did no 109.8743 345.7877
		A B	A B	BB	A B	A B	A B	A B	A B	ВВ
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	ACTUAL	CASE	CASE	CASE	CASE	CASE	CASE	CASE	CASE	CASE

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